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Attached for filing is the patent application of:

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Entitled: LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY DEVICE

and including attachments as noted below:

☒ Newly executed Declaration, ☐ Copy of Declaration from prior application, ☒ Abstract

124 pages of specification and claims (including 20 numbered claims), and

45 sheets of accompanying drawing/s.

☒ Record the attached assignment and return to the undersigned.☒ Attached is a Power of Attorney.☒ Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on the following foreign applications:

Application Number	Country	Day/Month/Year Filed
2000-244648	JAPAN	11 August 2000
2001-131142	JAPAN	27 April 2001
2001-155928	JAPAN	24 May 2001
2001-219632	JAPAN	19 July 2001

, respectively, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application..

Certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) is/are attached.

Certified copy(ies) filed on _____ in prior appln. no. _____ filed _____

The prior application is assigned to Sharp Kabushiki Kaisha.

It is hereby requested that the Examiner consider the art cited in the parent application by applicant and/or the Examiner for the reasons stated therein. A listing of that art is attached.

Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ "Small entity" statement attached.Please enter the attached and/or below preliminary amendment prior to calculation of filing fee:

☒ Also attached: ☒ Information Disclosure Statement; ☐ Non-Publication Request; ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission; ☐ Statement deleting Inventor(s) named in prior application; ☐ Other:

FILING FEE IS BASED ON CLAIMS AS FILED LESS ANY HEREWITH CANCELED

Basic Filing Fee		\$	710.00
Total effective claims	20 - 20 (at least 20) = 0	x \$ 18.00	\$ 0.00
Independent claims	2 - 3 (at least 3) = 0	x \$ 80.00	\$ 0.00
If any proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$270.00 (ignore improper)			\$ 0.00
		SUBTOTAL	\$ 710.00
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		SECOND SUBTOTAL	\$ 710.00
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		TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED	\$ 750.00

Any future submission requiring an extension of time is hereby stated to include a petition for such time extension.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our **Account No. 14-1140**. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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